

choir and in a bugle sounded clearly and sweetly the assembly.

The second demonstration, which followed, seemed likely to outdo the first, and General Evans had to pound the stand fiercely to get a chance to introduce the Governor.

Immediately after Governor Patterson's address the choir sang "My Land, My Maryland," which was well received and received another ovation. Then after General Evans had read his annual report the convention adjourned for luncheon.

Tribute to Garnett.

Calling the afternoon session to order, General Evans paid a glowing tribute to General Theodore S. Garnett, of Norfolk, Va., who had been selected to deliver the oration. General Garnett, when he arose was received with shouts and applause.

Colonel Lewis Gulon, of New Orleans, was next introduced, and his address was listened to with marked attention.

The convention then adjourned to give the veterans an opportunity to view the floral parade.

Some quaint sights were witnessed to-day. One old veteran from Arkansas, accompanied by his wife and children, tied his entire family together with a clothes line and led the procession through the union station. He created a small-sized riot, as he and his family and the family rope became entangled and confused. But he extricated them by good, thick movements, and announced that he didn't propose to lose "any of 'em, nary a one, sah."

Report of Adjutant-General.

Adjutant-General William B. Mickle tonight gave out his annual report, which will be distributed among those in attendance at the reunion to-morrow morning.

General Mickle points with pride to the fact that at no previous period of the history of the United Confederate Veterans' organization has such a large percentage of the members paid their dues in full, and that this has resulted in the disbandment of much poorer camps than usual. He continues an important factor, according to General Mickle, in the increase made in the membership of the organization, and not to lack of patriotism, he says, should the loss of many members be attributed.

Satisfactory Conditions.

The report, which is addressed to General Clement A. Evans, general commanding, is in part as follows: "The conditions connected with our matters connected with my office for the past twelve months, I have great pleasure in again reporting a most satisfactory condition. The work of nature is rapidly reducing the numbers of our glorious federation, but the interest and devotion of the remaining continue unabated. There is something peculiarly pathetic in the love these old men feel for the cause and the longing with which they look forward from the closing of one reunion to the time of the next annual gathering. The old men grow in years and become feeble in body, their remembrance of the trying times of the sixties and the gallant men with whom they were associated, sharing common dangers and privations, is keener, and it becomes a passion deep and intense, to make preparations to meet their old comrades-in-arms. Such a feeling adds charm to the character of these old soldiers and makes them doubly dear to each other."

"The area in which there is material for the formation of camps is not wide, but in certain sections there are left a few survivors of our grand armies who wish to get in touch with their fellows in their noble work, and where they can exchange ideas, themselves into camps, small in number though they be. During the past year there have been about thirty new camps, distributed among the divisions as follows: Oklahoma, 10; Texas, 4; Pacific, 2; Arkansas, Mississippi, 2; Georgia, 2; Alabama, Florida, Louisiana, North Carolina and West Virginia, 1."

"Under the circumstances this is a most gratifying state of affairs, and should be a source of pleasure to every member of our beloved order."

"On the other hand, there have been many deaths and some removals among our members, which has caused camps to close, and some to be reorganized. The summary of our members is recalled. The following table is far from presenting a discouraging symptom."

Summary of Camps by Divisions.

Arranged according to the present number on roster, is as follows:

Division.	No. alive last report.	Added during year 1938-39 and released year 1937-38	Dropped for non- payment of dues this year.	Net on roster.
Texas.....	255	9	23	218
Georgia.....	15	0	2	12
E. Carolina.....	88	0	22	66
Mississippi.....	83	5	4	84
Alabama.....	52	1	1	52
Florida.....	10	0	0	10
N. Carolina.....	69	0	1	70
N. Virginia.....	70	0	1	69
Tennessee.....	61	0	1	60
Kentucky.....	62	0	1	61
Louisiana.....	61	1	4	58
Oklahoma.....	53	10	6	57
Arkansas.....	47	1	0	48
Missouri.....	47	0	0	47
W. Virginia.....	50	1	2	49
Pacific.....	13	8	0	16
Northwest.....	15	0	0	15